

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held March 21, 2006, the Board took the following action:

4 Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

"The Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) is celebrating the opening of its 2006 Exposition called the 'Total Manufacturing Experience.' The Los Angeles Convention Center will be holding the largest trade show of its type in North America including, 'Westec,' North America's largest Annual Manufacturing and Metalworking event.

"The SME has served the West Coast manufacturing community for over 40 years in Downtown Los Angeles, and will infuse an estimated \$11 million in the local economy by way of hotels, restaurants and convention services. This is an illustration of its commitment to the City of Los Angeles and a symbol of this area's importance to the global economy, specifically manufacturing.

"The SME designed this exposition to support the 800,000 plus manufacturing jobs of Los Angeles County in vital industries like aerospace and defense, medical, auto, high tech and more. The five-County area is the largest manufacturing market in the United States. Over 20,000 manufacturers will attend the 'Total Manufacturing Experience' from the Los Angeles region and around the Country, looking for the latest technology.

"In collaboration with its business and industry partners, SME has supported workforce development in providing over \$1 million in cash grants, scholarships and awards to California schools, encouraging students to explore manufacturing careers through the Westec Manufacturing Challenge and Student Summit."

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Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried, the Board proclaimed the week of March 27 through 30, 2006 as "Manufacturing Week" throughout Los Angeles County.

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